

By ROACH.]

HOUSE FILE No. 650.—ROADS AND HIGHWAYS.

A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 922, OF THE CODE OF 1873, AND TO PROHIBIT THE VACATION OF HIGHWAYS THAT HAVE BEEN TRAVELED AND MAINTAINED FOR TEN YEARS, AND DECLARING ALL ROADS THAT HAVE BEEN MAINTAINED FOR TEN YEARS TO BE HIGHWAYS, AND PROVIDING THAT WHERE ESTABLISHED HIGHWAYS HAVE BEEN ABANDONED AS SUCH FOR TEN YEARS, THEY SHALL BE DEEMED VACATED.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That section nine hundred and twenty-two, of the Code of 1873, be and the
2 same is amended by adding thereto the following, to-wit: Provided, that when any public
3 highway shall have been traveled and maintained as such for a period of ten years, the
4 same shall not be vacated unless a majority of the resident freeholders of the township or
5 township in which, or on the line of which the same is located shall sign the petition ask-
6 ing its vacation.

SEC. 2. Any highway or road that has been traveled and used by the public as a high-
2 way for a period of ten years, shall be deemed to be a legally established highway of the
3 width of sixty-six feet.

SEC. 3. Any public highway which has been abandoned and not maintained or traveled
2 as such for a period of ten years shall be deemed to be vacated.